

Re: Pathogen Data

Barbara Hirst to: Antony Tseng

Cc: "Helen Pang", "Marzooq Alebus", Felix Locicero, Rosella OConnor, Robin.Miller, pii

02/06/2012 08:37 AM

We understand the need to work through EPA on work being done by your contractor. I believe you have the data now. You will note that there is very little data from the years of interest. We will likely need to revisit our strategy for estimating a geomean-based boundary input.

>>> Antony Tseng <Tseng.Antony@epamail.epa.gov>
2/3/2012 10:48 AM >>>
Barbara,

It is my understanding that Helen sent some data over to the contractor but neither Rosella nor myself have received it. Please resend this and future transmissions to EPA and not the contractor. Due to the limited EPA contract funds available, we want to be absolutely sure EPA has the right data from NJDEP to firmly and soundly close this issue before incurring more contractor costs.

Also note that only the EPA Task Order Manager or his/her alternate can provide the contractor the technical direction to proceed.

This TMDL is a priority on our end and are committed to working with you on this.

Thanks,
- Antony

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We are going to provide a more specific data run. Stay tuned.

>>> Antony Tseng <Tseng.Antony@epamail.epa.gov>
2/1/2012 5:24 PM >>>
Marzooq,

The link you provided cites 24 USGS stations. Before I provide technical direction for the contractor to proceed with an evaluation the pathogen data and propose a variable boundary condition at the Dundee Dam, can you be more specific which station is relevant?

Agency Site Number Site Name Period of Record Begin Date End Date Samples USGS 01378660 Passaic River at Tempe Wick Rd near Mendham NJ 2000-11-29 2002-08-08 19 USGS 01378670 Passaic River at Morristown National Hist Park NJ 2006-08-15 2007-08-07 3 USGS 01378690 Passaic River near Bernardsville NJ 1965-04-15

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2009-05-07
78
USGS
01378700
Passaic River at outlet of Osborn Pond NJ
1962-04-20
1963-09-23
5
USGS
01379000
Passaic River near Millington NJ
1923-08-16
2009-05-07
399
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USGS
01379300
Passaic River at Stirling NJ
1968-08-30
2009-09-25
17
USGS
01379340
Passaic R at Berkeley Heights NJ
2008-09-22
2009-05-07
USGS
01379500
Passaic River near Chatham NJ
1960-03-02
2006-12-12
381
USGS
01379504
Passaic River at Summit Avenue at Chatham NJ
2009-06-05
2009-06-05
1
USGS
Passaic R at Lower Chatham Bridge nr Chatham NJ
2008-09-22
2009-06-05
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USGS 01379570 Passaic R at Hanover NJ 1963-06-25 2009-04-10

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USGS
01379580
Passaic River near Hanover Neck NJ
1963-12-09
1965-04-27
USGS
01381900
Passaic River at Pine Brook NJ
1963-06-25
2011-09-01
101
USGS
01382000
Passaic River at Two Bridges NJ
1963-06-25
2011-11-16
495
USGS
01389005
Passaic River below Pompton Riv at Two Bridges NJ
1987-06-09
1999-06-17
136
Agency
Site Number
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End Date
Samples
USGS
01389110
Passaic River at Route 46 at Singac NJ
1974-07-31
2006-05-15
426
USGS
01389400
Passaic River at Route 23 at Singac NJ
2008-09-22
2009-05-08
USGS
01389500
Passaic River at Little Falls NJ
1952-01-28
2011-11-17
949
USGS
01389630
Passaic R at Totowa Rd at Totowa NJ
2003-10-15
2003-10-15
1
USGS
01389800
Passaic River at Paterson NJ
1967-09-16
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USGS
Passaic R at Rt 46 at Elmwood Park NJ
1974-07-22
2011-09-01
170
USGS
01389895
Passaic River at Outwater Lane at Garfield NJ
2003-11-19
2006-12-12
USGS
01392100
Passaic R at Rutherford NJ
1969-08-06
1970-05-25
11
USGS
01392600
Passaic R at Harrison NJ
1970-06-22
1974-06-26
58
Thanks,
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Hi Robin,

Here are the link to all the data sampled at Passaic R upstream of Dundee:

http://nwis.waterdata.usgs.gov/nj/nwis/qwdata?search_station_nm=Passaic
River&search_station_nm_match_type=beginning&format=s
tation_list&sort_key=site_no&group_key=NONE&inventory
_output=0&rdb_inventory_output=file&TZoutput=0&pm_cd_
compare=Greater

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I hope the attached data can be of some use to provide long term assessment of the boundary at Passaic R at Dundee

Pathogen indicators sampled from year 2000 to 2011:

31615 - Fecal coliform, EC broth method, water,
most probable number
per 100 milliliters
31633 - Escherichia coli, m-TEC MF method, water,
colonies per 100
milliliters
31649 - Enterococci, m-E MF method, water,
colonies per 100
milliliters
31686 - Total coliform, water, most probable
number per 100
milliliters

Helen, could you please check if this is all the data we have

If you've question, please let's know

Thank you, Marco

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